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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of

ABRIGNANI et al.

For: **HEPATITIS C RECEPTOR  
PROTEIN CD81**

Serial No.: 09/509,612

Filed: March 29, 2000

Atty. Docket No.: PP00366.103  
2302-0366

Examiner: D. Wortman

Group Art Unit: 1648

Confirmation No.: 7749

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED  
EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114**

BOX RCE

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

a. ☒ Previously submitted

i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 22, 2002 (any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

iii. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_.

b. ☐ Enclosed

i. ☐ Amendment/Reply

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv. ☐ Other:

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2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

3. **Filing Fee**

| Description        | Claims  | Extra | Rate   | Fee Code | Fee   |
|--------------------|---------|-------|--------|----------|-------|
| Basic Filing Fee   |         |       |        | 179      | \$740 |
| Independent Claims | 1 - 3 = | 0 x   | \$80 = | 102      | 0     |
| Total Claims       | 4 -20 = | 0 x   | \$18 = | 103      | 0     |

Total Filing Fee .....\$740

4. **Payment of Fees**

☒ Enclosed is a check for the total fees due in the amount of \$ 810.00.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees and to credit any overpayment of fees which may be required under 37 CFR §1.16 and §1.17, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648, referencing Atty. Docket No. 2300-0366.

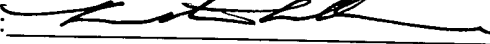
5. Address all future communications to:

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6. **Other documents enclosed herewith:**

- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard.
- ☒ Other (Specify: Petition for Extension of Time).

Respectfully submitted,

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